1	2	3	4
3.	Madhya Pradesh	Sohagpur	736.68
4.	Chhattisgarh	Singrauli	30147
		Tawa Valley	9.02
		Korba	72.50
		Mand-Raigarh	1264.82
	TOTAL :		5083.96

(c) The exploration of new coal deposits by Geological Survey of India (GSI) gives preliminary information about the block/area. If the block is found promising, further detailed exploration would be required before a scheme for mining can be taken up. Normally, it takes 5 to 7 years for completion of detailed exploration and there after preparation of mining project report is taken up.

CBI raids

*333. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the CBI conducted nation-wise raids on corrupt Government officials and a large number of businessmen in September, 2004;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the names of Government officials raided by the CBI;

(d) the details of seizures made from these Government officials; and

(e) the departmental action so far taken against these officials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The CBI conducted raised at several places on 29.9.2004 as a part of Special Drive. 65 cases were registered in this drive, which involved 88 Government Servants and 142 private persons/firms.

(c) to (e) The CBI does not publicize the names of the Government officials raided nor the details of seizures made during these raids till the

finalization of the investigations. Since the cases have been registered recently, investigations in all these cases are in progress and further action will be taken as per law on the basis of evidence collected during investigations. Information pertaining to departmental action is not maintained centrally.

Regional Passport Office at Aizawl

*334. SHRI LALHMING LIANA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contem plating opening of a Regional Passport Office at Aizawl;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (c) The number of passport applications received from Mizoram is very small and hence it is felt that there is no need to open a full-fledged Passport Office at Aizawal at present.

India-ASEAN Summit

*335. SHRI AJAY SINGH CHAUTALA:
SHRI DARA SINGH:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Prime Minister attended the Third india-ASEAN Summit held at Vientiane in Laos on November 29-30,2004;

(b) if so, the details of discussions and the outcome thereof, indicating names of other countries which participated at the Summit;

(c) whether Indian Prime Minister also held bilateral meetings with his counterpart of China, Japan, etc. on the sideline of Summit;

(d) if so, with what results; and

(e) whether India's proposal of a road and rail link between India and South-East articulated at the above mentioned Summit?